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AFTER CERTAIN FAILURES"

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of September 2, 2004. Authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1970 in the amount of \$142 as payment of the fee incurred as the results of the addition of one independent and three total claims in excess of those previously paid for is hereby granted. Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to and rejections of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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